



Kansas City Chapter



Nov/Dec 2021

Club Meeting Date:
Nov/Dec - Christmas Party
Dec 7 - 6:30pm

Executive Board Meeting
November 2
Fleming Hall 7:00 pm

Location
Fleming Hall
21906 SW Woods Chapel Road
Lee's Summit, Missouri

Next Club Meeting Date
December 7 - 6:30pm
Christmas Party

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Vice President's Message

It's been an interesting year as we are starting to get back to normal, having meetings and getting out to do some fishing. But winter is just around the corner. As far as I am concerned it can stay away for about another three months.

Catch and Release season at Bennett Springs (Ref page 2) is one of my favorite times of the year. Great place and time to take grandchildren, newbie's and try out learning new skills.

Winter time is when I take inventory of my fly gear. I check my fly hooks for sharpness and rust, make a list of what I need to tie to replenish what I lost or gave away. Also, it is a good time to clean, inspect, dress your fly lines and inspect your fly rod.

Thinking about taking a trip! You need to start planning before January 1st. Most lodges give first priority to their repeat guest, so the prime times will already be booked or close to it by the end of the year.

Our fly tying classes will be starting up on January 10th. Watch for more details in upcoming newsletters. I hope you will plan to attend.

Be sure to put the December 7th Christmas party on your calendar. See you at the party,

Gary



Mike McKinzie and I with a double on the White River

2022 Membership Dues are Due in January



Dues for the upcoming year are, Individual (\$15), Family (\$30), Legacy (\$10). (Family membership includes all family members up to 18 years of age). At age 18 your child must register as a adult. You may mail your dues and form to MTFA, PO Box 3202, Harry S. Truman Station, Independence, Missouri 64055.

A MTFA-KC Chapter application will be in the December and January Troutline. You can also download the application off our web site.

Thank You.

For More Information

Visit the website for the latest News and updates
www.mtfa-kansascity.org

Upcoming Events

Nov 2,
E-Board Meeting
Fleming Hall 7:00pm

Nov 6, 9 am—3pm
Frontline Fly Fishing
@ K&K Flyfisher

Nov 9,
Frontline Fly Fishing
6:00 DAV

Nov 12,
Catch & Release Season at
Missouri State Parks

Nov 16,
Frontline Fly Fishing
5:30 Rainbow Fly Shop

Nov 23,
No Club Meeting

Nov 25,
Thanksgiving Day

Dec 7,
MTFA Christmas Party
Fleming Hall 6:30pm

Dec 25,
Christmas Day
Jan 1, 2020
Happy New Fishy Year



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Roger Theroux
Marvin Allison
Ken Hicks
Mike Davis
Greg Davison

MTFA Nomination of Board Members 2022

At the November e-board meeting David Cook will appoint the nominating committee for the upcoming election of the MTFA officers. If you are interested in serving, please let David know. Our election will be held in January and installation of officers will be held in February at the Luncheon dinner.

The MTFA current office holders are:

President: David Cook,

Vice-President: Gary Davisson,

Secretary: Ardith Haynes,

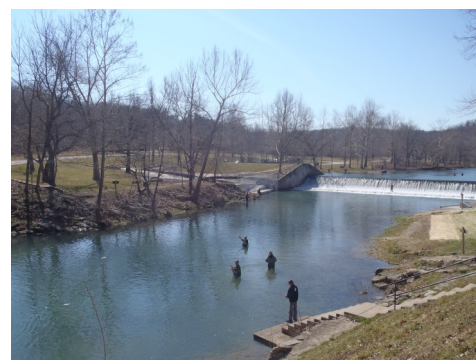
Treasurer: Darrell Durst

Members at Large: Merrill Miller, Roger Theroux, Marvin Allison, Ken Hicks, Mike Davis, Greg Davison

Bennett Springs - Catch & Release Season

October 31st was the last day of the regular trout season. Catch and Release begins on Friday, November 12th and runs through February 14, 2022 (8:00 AM - 4:00 PM) Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday only.

(PS: Please use barbless hooks)



Driftless Trout in Iowa



The yellow and purple Hippie Stomper drifted calmly along one of the many undercut banks on Iowa's North Bear Creek. Just as it neared an overhanging clump of grass it silently disappeared. Raising my rod, I was quickly into a fight with a scrappy little 8-inch rainbow trout. Such was my introduction to Iowa's Driftless Area fishery.

The Driftless Area comprises parts of southwest WI, southeast MI, northeast Iowa and extreme northwest IL. It gets its name from the fact that it was untouched by glaciers during the last ice age. As glaci-

Frontline Fly Fishing



Calendar of Events

November 6 - 9:00 am until 3:00 pm for the annual fundraiser benefiting Frontline Fly Fishing-Kansas City and Project Healing Waters—Leavenworth.

We will be providing food and drink featuring pulled pork, courtesy of David Cook! Anyone interested in volunteering please arrive no later than 10:00 am.

November 9 - 7:00 pm—Disabled American Veterans Building, 14605 E Hwy 40., KCMO

Committee meeting @ 6:00 pm

November 16 - 5:30 pm at the Rainbow Fly Shop



kkflyfisher.com **Special Event**

Veterans Benefit

This Saturday!!!! November 6th 9 am—3 pm

Silent auction

Raffle Items

Win Great Fly Fishing Gear

Fly Casting - Fly Tying Instructions

Casting Games - Prizes

Food - Drink

Special Sale Gear

100% of Your Donation Goes Directly to

FrontLine Fly Fishing - Kansas City

Project Healing Waters - Leavenworth

Driftless Trout in Iowa Cont'd

ers advance, they move dirt, rocks and other debris called “drift”. The lack of glacial drift in this area gives rise, therefore, to the term Driftless.

Throughout this geological region, there exist a number of Coldwater streams that are capable of supporting trout. In Winnishiek county, there are at least thirteen such streams. Most are “small water”, typically ranging from 10 to 30 feet across although a few are larger. Terrain through which they flow varies from open pasture, heavy brush lined, and deep forest.

As for fish, there are three species of trout including rainbow, brown and brook. Most streams are stocked on a regular basis, but there are those that have self-sustaining populations of wild fish. In fact, South Pine Creek has a genetically unaltered strain of indigenous brook trout that dates back at least to pioneer days, and perhaps to the last ice age.



As for numbers, this is no Bennett Spring. North and South Bear Creeks are touted as having the highest fish densities in the area, at about 4,000 fish per stream mile. In certain streams, the local resident fishermen keep tabs on when the stocking truck makes its runs and will quickly remove lots of fish using natural bait. Nevertheless, there are substantial numbers of holdover fish, and these fish certainly make up for their lack of numbers with their striking beauty. If you're lucky enough to catch a wild-born brookie, the colors will not soon be forgotten.

In mid-September I had the pleasure of fishing on North Bear Creek with Mike Rogers, a Kansas City transplant who guides for Bear Creek Anglers. (<https://www.bearcreekanglers.com/home>) Mike fell in love with Iowa's Driftless fishery a number of years ago and decided to move to the area permanently when Covid did away with his job in the corporate world. His passion for this area, and this highly diverse and wonderful fishery, was very evident and he was obviously excited to share it with someone who had never before been there. I now count Mike among my good friends even though we have known each other for just a short time.

I certainly plan to return to this area, both in Iowa and hopefully in adjacent states (always up for an adventure), and I encourage any of you who have thought about a trip up there to go ahead and pull the trigger. Do your homework before you go and contact one of the outfitters in the area (Bear Creek is a good one) to determine what kind of fly selection will be appropriate for when you'll be there. As for equipment, most of these streams can easily be wet waded, although you may want waders to protect your legs from streamside vegetation. A 3-wt rod in 8 to 9-foot lengths is good for most areas. If you are into Euro nymphing, these small streams provide some perfect settings for this technique as well. During my trip, I mostly fished a small bead-head midge, pheasant tail or hare's ear under either a small indicator or a buoyant terrestrial pattern such as the Hippie Stomper.



My appreciation goes out to Mike Rogers for giving me a grand introduction to this absolute gem.

Tight lines, Mike McKinzie

Missouri
Trout Fishermen's Association
KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE _____

I wish to become a member of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association, Kansas City Chapter and join in their endeavor to improve the sport of Trout Fishing in Missouri. **I agree to abide by the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules and Regulations of the Association.** These can be found on the chapter website **MTFA-KANSASCITY.ORG**.

NAME _____ NEW MEMBER () RENEWAL ()

ADDRESS _____ Cell Phone _____

(Hm)/(Wk) Other Phone _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ Send Newsletter via email: Yes ___ No ___

BIRTH MONTH: _____

How did you hear about our club? _____

Have you ever been a member of any chapter of the MTFA? Yes ___ No ___

Year joined _____ Most Recent Year Paid Dues: _____

- ___ **Individual Dues:** **\$15.00**
- ___ **Family Membership:** **\$30.00**
- ___ **MTFA Legacy Member: (25 + years)** **\$10.00**

If a Family Membership (spouse and children 18 years of age and under), list those who should receive membership cards and individual email newsletters.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Month</u>	<u>EMAIL</u>
_____	_____	_____
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When this form is completed,
mail to:
Missouri Trout Fishermen's Assoc.
PO Box 3202 Harry S Truman Station
Independence, MO 64055

CODE OF ETHICS

To practice the principles of good sportsmanship and conservation of wildlife, and to encourage others to do the same.
To cooperate with the constructive efforts of the Missouri Conservation Commission and comply with the "Objectives and Purposes" of the Missouri Trout Fishermen's Association to the extent of using single point hook lures when fishing in Missouri trout water.
To assist in the expansion and development of trout fishing in the State of Missouri, including the wise utilization of available waters and their protection from agricultural and commercial encroachment.
To help conserve wildlife and its natural habitat, cooperating with Federal, State and private agencies directly concerned with the conservation of wildlife, forests, soil and water.
To lend assistance to the Missouri Conservation Commission and its representatives in the enforcement of the laws and regulations for the taking of fish and game in the State of Missouri.

The above has been read and agreed to by: _____